

Listing of Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in this application:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Currently Amended) A UPS according to Claim 6[[1]], wherein the backlight circuit is operative to backlight the display with respective colors to indicate respective states of the UPS circuit.
3. (Currently Amended) A UPS according to Claim 6[[1]], wherein the different backlightings comprise at least one of different backlighting intensities and backlighting patterns.
4. (Currently Amended) A UPS according to Claim 6[[1]], wherein the display comprises a liquid crystal display (LCD).
5. (Currently Amended) A UPS according to Claim 6[[1]], further comprising a housing that houses the UPS circuit, the display, and the backlight circuit.
6. (Currently Amended) An uninterruptible power supply (UPS), comprising:
a UPS circuit operative to selectively supply power to an external load coupled to an output of the UPS from first and second power sources;
a display operatively coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to display textual and/or graphical information pertaining thereto; and
a backlight circuit coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to provide different backlightings of the display to indicate respective states of the UPS circuit,
~~A UPS according to Claim 1, wherein the backlight circuit is operative to provide a first backlighting of the display to indicate the UPS circuit powering the load from a primary power source and to provide a second backlighting of the display to indicate the UPS circuit powering the load from a backup power source.~~

7. (Previously Presented) A UPS according to Claim 6, wherein the backlight circuit is further operative to provide a third backlighting of the display to indicate the UPS circuit detecting an impending failure of the backup power source.

8. (Currently Amended) An uninterruptible power supply (UPS), comprising:
a UPS circuit operative to selectively supply power to an external load coupled to an output of the UPS from first and second power sources;
a display operatively coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to display textual and/or graphical information pertaining thereto; and
a backlight circuit coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to provide different backlightings of the display to indicate respective states of the UPS circuit,
~~A UPS according to Claim 1, wherein the backlight circuit is operative to provide a first backlighting of the display to indicate a normal operating state of the UPS circuit, to provide a second backlighting of the display to indicate a cautionary state of the UPS circuit, and to provide a third backlighting of the display to indicate an alarm state of the UPS circuit.~~

9-11 (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) An uninterruptible power supply (UPS), comprising:
a housing;
a UPS circuit, mounted in the housing, operative to selectively supply power to a load external to the housing from first and second power sources;
an externally-visible LCD associated with the housing, operatively coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to display graphical and/or textual information pertaining thereto;
and
a backlight circuit operatively coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to provide different backlightings of the LCD to indicate respective states of the UPS circuit,
~~A UPS according to Claim 9, wherein the backlight circuit is operative to backlight the LCD with a first color to indicate the UPS circuit powering the load from a primary power source~~

and to backlight the LCD with a second color to indicate the UPS circuit powering the load from a backup power source.

13. (Previously Presented) A UPS according to Claim 12, wherein the backlight circuit is further operative to backlight the LCD with a third color to indicate the UPS circuit detecting an impending failure of the backup power source.

14. (Currently Amended) An uninterruptible power supply (UPS), comprising:
a housing;
a UPS circuit, mounted in the housing, operative to selectively supply power to a load external to the housing from first and second power sources;
an externally-visible LCD associated with the housing, operatively coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to display graphical and/or textual information pertaining thereto;
and
a backlight circuit operatively coupled to the UPS circuit and operative to provide different backlightings of the LCD to indicate respective states of the UPS circuit. A UPS according to Claim 9, wherein the backlight circuit is operative to backlight the LCD with a first color to indicate a normal operating state of the UPS circuit, to backlight the LCD with a second color to indicate a cautionary state of the UPS circuit, and to backlight the LCD with a third color to indicate an alarm state of the UPS circuit.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 21[[15]], wherein the display comprises an LCD.

17. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 21[[15]], wherein providing different backlights of a graphical and/or textual display to indicate respective states of the UPS comprises backlighting the display with respective colors to indicate respective states of the UPS.

18. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 21[[15]], wherein the different backlightings comprise at least one of different backlighting intensities and different backlighting patterns.

19. (Currently Amended) A method of monitoring a UPS, the method comprising:

selectively providing power to a load external to the UPS from first and second power sources; and

providing different backlightings of a graphical and/or textual display to indicate respective states of the UPS. A method according to Claim 15,

wherein providing different backlightings of a graphical and/or textual display to indicate respective states of the UPS comprises:

providing a first backlighting of the display to indicate the UPS powering [[a]] the external load from a primary power source; and

providing a second backlighting of the display to indicate the UPS powering the external load from a backup power source.

20. (Previously Presented) A method according to Claim 19, wherein providing different backlightings of a graphical and/or textual display to indicate respective states of the UPS further comprises providing a third backlighting of the display to indicate the UPS detecting an impending failure of the backup power source.

21. (Currently Amended) A method of monitoring a UPS, the method comprising:

selectively providing power to a load external to the UPS from first and second power sources; and

providing different backlightings of a graphical and/or textual display to indicate respective states of the UPS.

A method according to Claim 15, wherein providing different backlightings of a display to indicate respective states of the UPS further comprises:

providing a first backlighting of the display to indicate a normal operating state of the UPS;

providing a second backlighting of the display to indicate a cautionary state of the UPS; and

providing a third backlighting of the display to indicate an alarm state of the UPS.

22. (Currently Amended) A method according to Claim 21[[15]], further comprising displaying respective textual and/or graphic information with respective ones of the different backlightings.